qualification has been lowered to VIIIth passed; all economically viable activities including agriculture and allied activities but excluding direct agricultural operations like raising crop, purchase of manure, etc., have been brought under the ambit of the scheme. Further, from the forthcoming financial year, i.e., 1999-2000, project cost shall be revised from Rs. 1.00 lakh to Rs. 2.00 lakhs for all activities, except business activities.

Investment made by banks in Industries

1299. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total investment made in private industrial sector by banks, Financial Institutions indicating details in SSIs, medium and large scale industries during the last three years;

(b) what was the total bad debt reported/came to light in SSI units as well as in large scale/medium scale units during the above mentioned period; and

(c) what was the overall percentage of production/exports/employment generation figures reported separately by SSIs/medium/large scale industrial units in the country during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) As per information available from the RBI, IDBI and other sources, the investment made in private industrial sector by banks, financial institutions in SSIs and medium and large industries during the last three years is as under:

(Rs. Crores)

At the end of March	Banks		
	SSIs	Medium/ Large	Total
1995	29175	74672	103847
1996	34246	93053	127299
1997	38196	102604	140800

Year	Financial Institutions		
	SSIs (SIDBI, SFCs)	Medium/Large	Total
1994-95	4827	28741	33568
1995-96	6689	26961	38650
1996-97	6336	36321	42657

(b) Reserve Bank of India have no information about bad debts reported/ came to light. However as per information available on sick SSI and Non-SSI units, the bank amount outstanding with industrial units was as under:

At the end of March	SSI	Non-SSI	Total
1995	3547	10192	13739
1996	3722	10026	13748
1997	3609	10178	13787

(c) Percentage of production within Industrial Sector for small, large/medium industries has been estimated as under:

Year	Industrial Production	
	SSI	Large/Medium
1994-95	48.78	51.22
1995-96	48.36	51.64
1996-97	47.75	52.25

* Includes Village Industries & Traditional Industries.

The Directorate General of Commercial Intellegence and Statistics, Calcutta which compiles the trade data does not compile export data on the basis of size of industrial units. SSI data are compiled on the basis of information from various export promotion councils. Percentages of export figure within manufacturing sector for small, large/medium industries have been worked out as under:

Year	Industrial Exports	
	SSI*	Large / Medium
1994-95	41.8	58.2
1995-96	42.9	57.1
1996-97	41.6	58.4

As regards Employment generation in SSI and large/medium industries, the estimates of employment are given below:

Year	Industrial Employment (lakh persons)	
	SSI	Large/Medium
1994-95	146.56	64.62
1995-96	152.61	67.87
1996-97	160.00	69.00

The figure of large/medium industries include employment in public sector and private sector (employing more than 10 persons). Employment figures of large/medium Industries also includes employment in those SSIs which employ more than 10 persons. On account of this overlapping, the separate share of small scale industry and large/medium scale industry cannot be worked out.

Joint ventures involving Technology Transfer

1300. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Joint ventures operating in India involving technology transfer;